

TOWN/UNIVERSITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE
Tuesday, November 10, 2015
Council Chambers, Beck Municipal Building

Minutes

Present: J. Armstrong, J. Coite, M. Gilbert, M. Hart, M. Kirk, H. Rhynhart, J. Sgobbo, P. Shapiro

Staff: M. Capriola, L. Painter (*Town*)

Meeting was called to order at 4:05 pm.

1. Meeting Minutes

Due to a lack of a quorum, the minutes of September 8, 2015 were tabled.

2. Updates:

a. *Mansfield Tomorrow*. Painter provided an update. The Plan of Conservation and Development was approved October 8, 2015. The Planning and Zoning Commission is now in the process of updating their planning, zoning, and subdivision regulations.

b. *Mansfield Downtown Partnership*. Hart provided an update on commercial tenancies and the progress of the owner occupied homes. The Winter Welcome event will be held December 5th from 1-5pm. An update on the Storrs Center ordinances was provided.

c. *USG*. Sgobbo provided an update on the following: participation in Celebrate Mansfield; participation in the construction of the Community playground; student voter registration project; and the December 4th community movie night.

d. *MCCP*. Armstrong provided an update. MCCP is in the process of redefining its mission and membership. It is anticipated that the Committee will begin meeting again in the spring.

3. 2016 Meeting Schedule

Due to a lack of quorum, the 2016 meeting schedule was tabled.

4. Membership Update/MOA Update

Hart provided an update on the review of membership and Committee scope. It may be recommended for MCCP to become a sub-committee of Town-Gown.

5. Other Business

Hart announced the recognition event that will be held for former Mayor Paterson on December 4th from 4-6pm at the Mansfield Community Center.

A citizen group has recently formed. The group is concerned with the conversion of single family homes into student rentals. Armstrong, Painter, and Ninteanu conducted a presentation to the Town Council on November 9th. The Council will form an ad hoc committee to review this issue.

6. Opportunity for the Public to Address the Committee

None.

The meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Maria E. Capriola, Assistant Town Manager, Town of Mansfield